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Summary of communication:

Applicant informed the examiner to send a preliminary examination report (form 409) instead of written opinion (Form 408) for this application as there are no negative comments.

An extension of time limit is granted (Form PCT/IPEA/427).

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